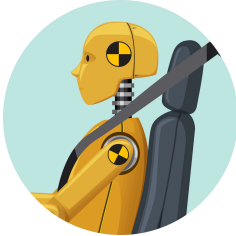




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Stutton Speedwatch Relaunch



A recurring theme in our village through the Roundabout, Parish Council Meetings and the Neighbourhood Plan is the speed some “stupids” drive through our community. We know the “stupids” won’t be reading this and taking notice of our concerns but this is a hot topic that we need to all be aware of.

We are pleased to report that Speedwatch has a new Co-ordinator and they will once again be out with their speed gun, warning motorists that speed will be not be tolerated. We have the SID (Speed Indicator Device) which reports the number and speed of vehicles to the Police and the development outside the school has traffic calming measures factored into their planning permission. If you fancy helping with the Speedwatch then please contact Siobhain (details on p.4) all volunteers will be very welcome. Please don’t be a “stupid” and if you know one - tell them!



What SID saw!



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Nature Notes

30 years ago, people started noticing Little Egrets appearing here in the UK. These are small, snow-white herons with a black-bill, legs, off-set with yellow-feet. A "winner" on the back of climate change (if there is such a thing), with their population expanding north and west from southern Europe. They first bred in the UK in 1996 and are now commonplace around our estuary with autumn numbers well into three figures.

Now, another egret is beginning to put in regular appearances - the Cattle Egret. Having first bred in 2008 down in Somerset, this winter, there have been up to eight in the fields below Shotley Church, but at the beginning of the month one was seen with the cattle (very apt) down towards Stutton Mill. They are slightly more squat in appearance than Little Egrets with a sulky demeanour - if you'll forgive the anthropomorphism. Their bill is yellow, not black and in summer plumage, their crown and back develop beautiful biscuit-brown tones. In summary, if you see a white heron-like bird with some cows - this is your likely candidate. **Mark Nowers**



Cattle Egret taken
by Matt Turner

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UPCOMING EVENTS

February 14th - Valentines Night

- 3 Course Menu & a Glass of Bubbly - £37.95pp
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Friday 7th March - King's Head Party Night with Clayton

- Meals between 6-8:30pm (Everyone welcome)
- Music from 8:30pm (Booking required)

Friday 4th April - Lionel Ritchie, Soul & Motown Night

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Samaritans	116123
Stutton Primary School	328531
Stutton Support Network	327753

St Peter's Church

I hope all of you had a good Advent, Christmas and New Year. We had a really positive month, and saw many of you in church to celebrate the birth of Christ. This began with our Christingle Service in early December where we raised £164 for the Children's Society, and continued with our Carol Service where we raised £173 for FIND (Families in Need Ipswich). Support which was much appreciated by both charities.

One of the big things as a wider church we have found ourselves dealing with is the news and the debates surrounding the resignation of the Archbishop of Canterbury. This is a difficult time for the church and has caused distress and anger not only amongst survivors of abuse outside the church, but those inside as well. I am aware that this is a difficult subject, but it is important to reassure you that here in the parishes we take Safeguarding very seriously, and we hope that we are genuinely safe, loving and inclusive communities. We work hard to make sure that all our ministers and church officers, both lay and ordained, are fully trained and are sensitive to the needs of those we come across whose experiences have not been positive.

Over the next few months we will try to ensure that there is information in our churches about where to receive help and support. As well as our usual Sunday morning service, we are also holding a special service on February 9th, 4pm at All Saints Holbrook, as part of 'It's Not OK Week'. Please be assured that we will listen. In the meantime we will be holding all victims and survivors in our prayers.

Revd Jenny Seggar - Rector

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2nd February	11.00am	Worship For all at Stutton Community Hall
9th February	9.30am	Holy Communion
16th February	-	No Service
23rd February	9.30am	Morning Prayer
2nd March	11.00am	Worship For all at Stutton Community Hall
9th March	9.30am	Holy Communion
16th March	-	No Service
23rd March	9.30am	Morning Prayer
30th March	11.00am	Benefice Service of Holy Communion for Mothering Sunday

Duncan or I will aim to be sat drinking coffee at the Stutton Community Shop between 10 & 11 on a Tuesday morning. Please join us for a chat.

Please check Facebook & www.tworiversbenefice.org for any last minute changes and for the full list of services in our Benefice.

Stutton Speedwatch

It has been more than 18 months since our last Speedwatch session and I'm very happy to say that we have a volunteer to take on the role of Coordinator. She is Siobhain Bruneau who has recently moved into the village with her husband and young family: they now live on Manningtree Rd, so she is all too aware of the volume of traffic and particularly the speed of some drivers. Siobhain is very keen to get Speedwatch running again, and I think will provide fresh energy to it. It will take a few weeks to get training updated and, hopefully, new equipment.

We know, not least through the Neighbourhood Plan consultations, that traffic volume and speed in the village is a source of great concern and means people often feel unsafe walking or cycling along Manningtree and Holbrook Roads, particularly those less mobile or with children.

Ian will still be part of the team and we know others of the current volunteers are eager to get it up and running again. But it would be great to have more volunteers as part of the team so that we have a bigger pool of people to draw on. The time commitment for volunteers is very flexible and down to your availability – sessions last no more than an hour. We know these sessions reduce speeding (along with the speed indicator) – it is very often inattention that causes drivers to speed, so Speedwatch is a good reminder to pay attention.

If you're interested in helping, Siobhain would love to hear from you – please email: siobhainconnors@btinternet.com **Siobhain Bruneau and Ian Flower**



PC Kate Jarrett -Community Police

My first article in 2025, how has it been for you so far? Have you managed to keep up with your New Year Resolutions? I don't mind January as a rule, I always have a good sort out and declutter, try to go on a diet and get myself back in the gym. By February, it's still so dark and dismal that its quite a tough month to get through but March is soon round the corner and very slowly we'll notice some changes.

I was just looking back at what I wrote this time last year and sadly things haven't changed for the better with the use of social media apps, not just children but adults as well are finding themselves in bother because they are using them inappropriately.

Scams. I don't know how scammers can live with themselves. . Please please do not fall for it. If you do not know who is on the phone, please hang up. If it's important they will leave a message. Never give your bank details to anyone. As I write this there are people pretending to be Police Officers. We will never ask for your bank details, I can assure you of that.

Every quarter the East Babergh Parish and Police Forum takes place. This is a meeting for any resident who lives in my patch, as well as those who live in the Hadleigh and Nayland area. I can't emphasise how important these meetings are. The next one will be held at Hadleigh Town Hall on the 19th March at 19:30.

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Stutton Community Association

I hope all of you had a great Christmas and New Year and on behalf of the SCA I wish you a belated happy 2025.

Some of you may have been lucky enough to see Santa around the village on Christmas morning. I never fail to be amazed at how Santa, after such a busy Christmas Eve still manages to find time to deliver presents in Stutton. Rather than take a well-earned rest he's up and about but he tells me that the joy it brings to the children makes it all worthwhile. Thank you to Trevor for once again providing such brilliant transport.



Thanks also go to Trevor and Elaine for hosting the annual Christmas Carols at the King's Head and to Andrew and Lucy Holland for organising the event. Due to everyone's kind generosity we made £182 which added to the £91 of donations from the Christmas day deliveries means we will be able to give the St Elizabeth Hospice in Ipswich some much needed help.

Films nights are now back- please see page 7

We are hoping to have our monthly draw back for April so expect our lovely volunteers to come knocking on your door. In response to your suggestions from the last collection we will now be offering the facility to pay by bank transfer. The draw is a great way to be involved in the village as the money raised goes back into the community to promote recreation or other leisure activities. Plus you might win a prize!

Talking about leisure activities what could be better for the body and soul than a barn dance! Plenty of exercise, lots of laughs and a drink or two into the bargain. February the 8th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £7.50 each from Stutton Community Shop or contact Adrian Gray on 07767247760 or email adriangray274@btinternet.com

Lastly, and I know I'm always saying this, if anyone is interested in joining the Stutton Community Association we would love to hear from you!

Rosie Stuart-Thompson 07769892578

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and join us not just to see a
good film but to take the
chance to meet up with old
friends and maybe make
some new ones. Our next
two showing are:

28th February SMALL THINGS LIKE THESE - Bill Furlong (Cillian Murphy) is a coal merchant in small-town 1980s Ireland. Everybody in the town knows that the local convent is one of the infamous Magdalene Laundries, but everybody feigns ignorance. When Bill, finds a bruised and shivering young woman locked in the convent coalshed he knows that any action on his part will cost him dear.

28 March FREUD'S LAST SESSION It's the onset of WWII and Sigmund Freud (Anthony Hopkins), who is nearing the end of his life, invites the celebrated Christian author C S Lewis for a debate over the existence of God.

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Stutton Parish Council - December/Jan

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Cllr Darren Cooper - Chair



Welcome to 2025 and the latest update from Stutton Parish Council. Speeding within the village has been highlighted again with concerns about lorries, cars and coaches speeding, particularly near the school. With the safety barrier outside the school already damaged and the bollard gone on PO Corner, concerns were raised and escalated to our Suffolk County Council member, Simon Harley. There is a “20’s plenty” zone around the school however this is advisory and not enforceable.

Still on vehicles, parking at school drop off/pick up times is a worry with cars blocking resident’s driveways, parking between school and PO Corner, parking with wheels on the kerb and other inconsiderate parking in evidence. Remember, the Kings Head kindly offer their car park for school time use.

Siobhain Bruneau has recently moved into Stutton and kindly come forward to lead the Speedwatch team. Discussions are ongoing to get this asset to the village up and running again, including involving the school. If you could spare some time to help with some sessions, please get in touch with Siobahn or Jayne, our Clerk pcstutton@gmail.com.

The light in the phone box hosting the defibrillator is intermittent and we hope to get this looked at soon. The grit bins are ageing and filling with rain water. We intend to review them and possibly dispose of some whilst re-locating others. We also plan to fit a dog-waste bin on the green near the village sign.

Planning this time featured trees quite a bit, with a crown reduction and a footpath/ tree relocation in School Close both being recommended for approval. Solar panels were also so recommended for The Old Manor House.

In wider Council news, Suffolk County Council has applied for fast-track devolution. The exact details are far from clear however if successful, this will create a Mayoral authority with several Unitary Authorities underlying it. It also means that the planned elections in May are likely to be postponed.

I presented about Digital Voice at January’s meeting, explaining how the old analogue phone system is being turned off and replaced by digital voice using broadband technology. Whilst a BT-supplied presentation it is equally applicable to all other suppliers so please have a look at <https://www.bt.com/broadband/digital-voice> for more information and help.

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 10th February starting at 19:30. This year’s meetings are being held in the Community Hall garden room so do please come along if you can, all really are welcome!

Snow White the Queen's Story

There can be no doubt that the whole Pantomime was a success. It looked and sounded fantastic and audiences said so. It easily sold out and has been the talk of the village for several weeks. It showcased some great talent within the village of writers, actors, singers, musicians, set construction and painting, lighting and sound and costume making – it had the lot!

All were local people giving their time just for the reward of enjoying doing it. The age range of the actors was from eight Esmee and nine Reuben to Gay ninety two! We were lucky enough to have a one time theatre and film critic of The Times Newspaper, James Christopher, in the audience and we can exclusively report his comments:

Ha ha! Thoroughly enjoyed... glitches and all. And a miracle given the thousand and one moving parts of a proper panto. Witty songs, fab camp sisters, wonderful witch, lovely Snows, nice turns by Woody, Snips, and Harold, and terrific Notso. Set a thing of beauty and the cozies awesome! The rap by Shaun ("our Postman") a winner, the script nice and crisp. Another comment came from a regular London theatre goer was "the set is worthy of the London Palladium!!"



Community Shop

The shop was fun and busy over Christmas with plenty of folk enjoying mulled wine and mince pies on Christmas Eve. Our thanks, especially, go to Rosemary for her never-ending supply of mince pies for sale and her beautiful little Christmas cakes.

We are able to keep the cost of our products competitive with other local stores by our team sourcing special deals whenever and wherever possible. On many occasions surprised customers have commented that we are selling items cheaper than their normal larger store.

We are continuing to provide the Warm Spaces venture, supported by Catts Trust, on Mondays and Wednesday mornings when you can have a complimentary warm drink with a cake or a sandwich and meet other folk for a chat. So now it has turned colder come and join us!

A big thank you to all our volunteers and customers who make our shop such a success story. **Jane Pavitt -Shop Committee Chair**



Friends of St Peter's Church

As I write this the weather outside is perishing, with a deep frost and icy winds, so it's good to have things to look forward to when winter eventually leaves us behind. The pattern for Friends this year will be similar to last year when we had a most interesting visit to the Orford Ness National Nature Reserve in June followed by our summer party on a warm evening in July at the Old Rectory in Church Road. I think both events were enjoyed by those who attended. The actual details for this year are not yet finalised but members will be informed as soon as they are. The Friends was formed 31 years ago to raise money for the maintenance of our fine Medieval church and all money goes to that end. Membership for this worthwhile village cause remains at £5 and a further £3 for additional people at the same address. If anyone would like a Membership Application Form please email me with your details and I'll arrange for one to be sent on.

With best wishes, **Cavan Browne (cavanbrowne46@gmail.com).**









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Stutton's Good Neighbour Scheme

Good news! Since our rather desperate article in the last edition of Roundabout and a leaflet distributed in the shop, we have had a wonderful response from people willing to join us as volunteers. This has made it so much easier to meet the requests that we get for lifts and we're very very grateful to the new volunteers.

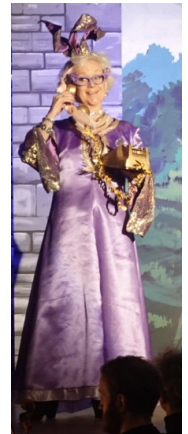
We responded to 191 requests during 2024, almost all for lifts to various medical or dental appointments - having more volunteer drivers means that we can aim to continue this level of support during 2025.

We are planning a meeting in the Spring so that we can all get together to talk about the future of the Network and what more we might do.

Our next Meet Up Mondays are on 3rd February and 3rd March, 10.30-12pm in the Community Hall for tea/coffee, cake and chat. Give us a ring if you would like to come and need a lift. And if you know of anyone who might like to come do tell them about it.

A reminder: **The Joseph**

Catts Trust is your local village charity. If you're in financial need and can't get help from anywhere else, please contact one of the Trustees: Jane Pavitt 328512; Nigel Watts 328202; Jenny Morris: 328984



Stutton Grows have recently welcomed new members and would love to see more enjoying keeping the community wood accessible for all. They meet the 2nd Sunday every month and some Mondays. contact Bill Hewitt for more information wshewlett@gmail.com



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Stutton Carpet Bowls Club

We have played our first match of 2025 and we did extremely well. Winning all four games we scored the full 10 points with the total number of shots played of 45. A very good start to the year. With a further 6 matches still to be played, some home and some away we are looking forward to the final outcome. In December we had a very enjoyable Christmas meal at the Butt and Oyster. Seems to be a perfect venue for us as they can accommodate all in one room and the meal is always well received. Once again, we donated monies instead of Christmas cards to one another and this raised £80 for charity. We have a new player who is thoroughly enjoying the evenings and although is new to the game has really got into it very quickly. So if you fancy having a 'go' come to a Wednesday Club night. You are very welcome. Our club nights are: *February 5th and 19th. March 5th, 19th and 26th. April 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th*

Jenni Pallant
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Stutton Primary School

"It Takes a Village to Raise a Child".



Happy New Year to everybody and a HUGE thank you to everybody in the village that cut out tokens for us for sports equipment. We won a £250 throwing kit including javelins, hammers and discus for primary schools.

The children have started their Spring topics and we have started planning trips and experiences for them to help make their learning memorable. Our older children have had a photography workshop- you may have seen them around the village with their cameras and a professional photographer! The most important event on the calendar this year however is the school disco. The children are very excited for this. Before Christmas, we had a special first aid day for the children. All children received basic first training including how to call for help and our key stage two children learned how to do CPR. It was a very important day but also lots of fun!

Stutton Local History Group

A Happy New Year to all our members. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 13th February in Garden House, Stutton Hall at 2 p.m. New members are always welcome.

Our latest Annual Journal, No.40, has been a bit delayed but we hope to have it on sale in the Community Shop in February.

At the moment our members are already looking through various topics to research for articles to be included in the next Journal. We will always be pleased to receive any pictures, documents etc. relating to people, buildings or past happenings in Stutton, and we will scan and return them if required.

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Devolution and Local Government Re-organisation - Babergh District Council Cabinet - The Devolution White paper was published the week before Christmas. In our initial response we stressed that our councils are united in our position that local democracy and accountability are vital in any future successful devolution and structuring arrangements. We are going through the White Paper in detail and are proposing to arrange town and parish liaison meetings early in the new year so we can discuss this.

National Planning Policy Framework - BDC have been working through the detail of the Government's announcement which raised Babergh's annual housing requirement from 416 to 734 homes per year.

Stop Press:- Babergh & Mid Suffolk District Councils say a huge rise in the Housebuilding requirements set by the Government has left them no option but to review their Local Plan.

Budgets - Babergh District Councils Cabinet considered a 2.99% increase to the district's share of council tax bills as councillors were warned of a £10.9 million budget gap over the next five years due to a broken funding system. The proposed increase would see Babergh's element of council tax bills for a Band D home rise from £188.10 a year to £193.73 for 2025/26 – an extra 11p per week. Babergh keeps less than 10% of the total council tax bill with the rest going to Suffolk County Council, the Police and Crime Commissioner and Town and Parish Councils.

Parking charges- After extensive debate last year new short-term parking charges will be introduced in Hadleigh from January

Well People Healthy Places Fund- Applications for the Well People Healthy Places Fund opened on the 6 January. The fund provides financial support for projects which promote healthier lifestyles and seek to improve wellbeing.

It is suitable for charities to apply as well as organisations such as village halls, voluntary and community groups, parish councils and sports clubs. Up to £5000 is available to apply for in Parishes that have either a Neighbourhood Plan, People and Place Plan, Parish Infrastructure Plan or similar.

Mary.McLaren@babergh.gov.uk

The Night Sky this month - Mike Haynes

Around 70 years ago astronomers were beginning to unravel the mysteries of the Sun. Eugene Parker was an American astrophysicist at the forefront of scientific investigations into the Sun's magnetic field, its corona (see below) and the solar wind which spreads dangerous charged particles throughout the Solar System. It is fitting, therefore, that the latest mission to help unravel these mysteries, carries his name. The Parker Solar Probe was launched in 2018 with the aim of eventually performing 24 orbits of the Sun, each one fractionally closer than before. Flying towards the Sun is not a simple task, compared with, say, going to Jupiter as the gravitational pull of the Sun speeds up their craft like rolling downhill on a bike with no brakes! To overcome this the trajectory involves 7 flybys of Venus to slow down the craft and position it correctly. Since arriving it has performed impeccably and completed 22 close encounters with the Sun. The latest of these was on December 24 2024. It reached its closest point to the Sun at 6 million kilometres (3.8 million miles) and broke its own record to become the fastest ever man made object in space at 690,000 km/sec (430,000mph). At this speed the spacecraft's heat shield had to withstand temperatures of 1400C whilst keeping the instruments cool enough to function. Two more flybys are scheduled for later this year at which point it will continue on its present orbit, sending data back to Earth until its fuel runs out.

In terms of observing the sky, February is one of the best times to see the striking constellation of Orion, clearly positioned due south mid evening.

Notice the brilliant planet Jupiter well above Orion to the right. It is currently the brightest object in the sky so don't confuse it with the red star Aldebaran. Diagonally opposite Jupiter below Orion is Sirius, the brightest star in the sky but easily outshone by Jupiter, so two gems at the same time -



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Saturday 17.30 St. Mark's vigil mass with confessions from 17.00

Sunday 09.00 Holy Family Brantham 11.00 St. Mark's

Tuesday 10.00 Holy Family mass with Adoration from 09.20

Wednesday 09.30 St. Mark's

Friday 12.15 St. Mark's mass with Adoration from 11.40



Bring & Buy Coffee Morning at Viv Szitasi's home, Paddock Gate, East Bergholt CO7 6TR will take place on December 19th 10.30 to 12. All welcome.

The Sick & Housebound. Please let Fr Luke know of anyone who is ill at home, housebound or in hospital, so that they may receive appropriate pastoral care,. If you or a family member is in hospital you can also contact the Catholic Lay Chaplain to Ipswich Hospital hospitalchaplain@stmarksparish.org.uk

When we're open

Monday	09:00 – 18:00
Tuesday	09:00 – 17:30
Wednesday	09:00 – 17:30
Thursday	09:00 – 17:30
Friday	09:00 – 17:30
Saturday	09:00 – 14:00
Sunday	Closed

Holbrook

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The field in February

The field in the rain is a wondrous thing
No matter it's cold and not yet spring
The ground all sketched by the tractor wheels
The seedlings now arrayed in parallel lines
Last year's crops still leaving signs
A carrot rotting, sugar beet bruised,
All gnawed and blackened:
The hares have used
The old ploughed furrows to make their forms
Protecting their young from the winter's storms

This year brings barley, the shoots now seen
The earth is turning the landscape green
You reach the lane, the dogs come close
Those are the days
You loved the most
Susan Hemmings

Peninsular Repair Café

new venue Freston Village Hall

Thanks to everyone who keeps supporting the Peninsula Repair Café. If you have Facebook, please visit our [Rethink, Reuse, Reduce, Refill, Repurpose, Repair, Rewild, Return, Recycle](#) or search the post "Let's talk about recycling" on Shaun's Shorts. Each session has different repairers, when in doubt, please reach out to us at: peninsularepaircafe21@gmail.com We also prepare hearty and wholesome meals. [It's the last Saturday of the month 10am-2pm](#)
3rd February, we will roll out a series of **"Cooking from Scratch"** events where we will meet at 10 am Freston Village Hall and start preparing a three-course meal together. We will eat as a group and chat. These events are fully sponsored by Babergh.



Round & About



Mobile Library

February 7th

March 7th

Larksfield 12.10 -12.40

Shop 12.45 -13.15

Home Library Suffolk

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email hls@suffolklibraries.co.uk



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<https://www.sudburycab.org.uk>

Suffolk Sight is a county-wide independent and voluntary charitable organisation promoting the welfare of blind and visually impaired people across Suffolk. If you feel you would benefit from our services, please contact our Ipswich office on 01473 611011. We meet on the last Weds of the month in Stutton Community Hall Barbara McDonald on 01473 328907

Peninsula Swimming

Woolverstone High School

Email: info@spsc.email

Text: 07546 528336

£4.75 per session

All timings and information are on our Facebook page of the same name



Village Link

We are a social club that has been established for over 25 years. We aim to bring villages together in a social context for a monthly meeting with a speaker followed by refreshments and a good natter. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. Tattingsstone Village Hall. For further information contact **Linda 01473 311262**

Bereavement Support -

Freephone National Helpline on

0808 808 1677 www.cruse.org.uk



Stour Valley U3A Make the most of life once you're no longer in full time work and come and explore new ideas, interests and skills with University of the Third Age. It's local, social, friendly, low cost and open to all.

Our speaker on 12th Feb is from the Air Ambulance and on the 12th March it is "AI and ChatGPT" For more details

Please take a look at our website www.u3asites.org.uk/stourvalley

Community Facebook Pages:

Roundabout Stutton for a digital copy of this magazine

Shaun's Shorts for news from the villages



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10	Parish Council Meeting	7.30 pm
12	History of Newspapers	10am Tattingstone see page 19
13	Local History Research Group	Garden House, Stutton 2pm see page 14
17	Community Craft Club	7-9pm all welcome bring your own craft
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Community Hall

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Monday	Pilates - Julie, Pure Pilates	6-7 pm
Tuesday	Baby and Toddler	9.30 - 11.30 am
	Divine Dance Academy	4 - 8 pm
Wednesday	Carpet Bowls club nights Feb 5th, 19th, Mar 5th, 19th, 26th	7.30 - 9.30 pm
Thursday	Chair Exercise Class	9.30 - 11.30 am
	Physiotherapy led Pilates x2	6.30 & 7.30 pm
Friday	Two Rivers Art Group	9.30 am - 12.00 pm
	Dolly's Pizza Van	4.30 - 7.30 pm car park
Saturday	Alton Water - parkrun.org.uk/altonwater	9.00 am

(no apologies for photobombing this edition with Panto photos - we thought it was great !)



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